

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Camping – Fishing – Hiking
Hunting – Outdoor Photography – Wildlife
Viewing

Conservation areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities. Parking or storing watercraft or commercial vehicles on department areas during closed hours is prohibited.

- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all graveled area parking lots. No unattended open campfires allowed. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit. Please visit our website for more information about special use permits.
- Walk-in camping is allowed year round, EXCEPT during all firearms deer and turkey seasons. During these seasons camping is only allowed on or adjacent to graveled area parking lots. Same rules apply.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting. A hunting permit is required to train dogs in pursuit of wildlife.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use.
- Bicycles allowed on designated service roads year-round. Service roads can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>
- Vehicles are restricted to public roadways and parking lots unless otherwise allowed by area regulations.
- No target shooting allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations in the Mississippi River. The following regulations also apply.

- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles,

is prohibited on all impounded waters and their discharge channels.

- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written permission of the Conservation Department.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Booklets for current regulations.
- Only portable tree stands may be placed or used and only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Each stand must be identified with the name and address of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of nails or other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with a special use permit. Visit our website for more information.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation
8965 HWY 36 STE 1
Hannibal, MO 63401
(573) 248-2530

or

Ted Shanks Conservation Area
(573) 754-6171
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are from Provision 3CSR 10-4.115 of the Wildlife Code. Free copies of the Wildlife Code and Special Area Regulations are available from the Conservation Department.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

DuPont Reservation

CONSERVATION AREA



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